

Mr. Bevan Baker

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Dear Mr. Baker,

I am writing to thank you for taking your courageous stand against bed sharing. You have gotten the dialogue moving on safe sleep in a provocative way that will get parents seriously thinking and talking about what is safest for their babies.

I lost my daughter in a bed sharing accident in 2007. When I researched the choice of sleeping with my baby all the information I found said it was safe as long as drugs and alcohol were not involved. Even my doctors and pediatricians told me it was fine to sleep with my baby, and may even protect against SIDS. Unfortunately, we both know this information is false, and I am saddened that I only found out too late. We had followed all the "safe" guidelines and it still happened to us.

I encourage you to follow up this campaign with what parents should do to keep their babies safe. Encouraging safe sleep habits like the organization First Candle such as Room sharing and not Bed sharing and the ABC's of Sleep.

Thank you for doing what you can to save babies lives. I applaud your efforts to try and prevent our little ones becoming just another statistic.

Sincerely,

Heather